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11. (C) PolMiloff delivered reftel briefing on April 20 to MFA Director for South-Eastern Europe Division Davorin Senicar. Senicar thanked PolMiloff for sharing USG views on Kosovo's final status negotiations and noted that Slovenia was sincerely interested in securing peace and stability in the neighborhood. Senicar, who recently returned from an assignment in Belgrade, promised to "do what we can to bring Belgrade and Pristina along and endow them with a Euro-Atlantic perspective. Senicar noted private Senicar noted privately, however, that he had been more optimistic about the political situation in Belgrade at the start of his assignment in 2001 than he was now. Nevertheless, Senicar noted that Slovenia had strong ties, including commercial and political ties, with both Belgrade and Pristina and would do what it could to promote a Euro-Atlantic future for both entities. Senicar agreed that status needed to be resolved before the political situation deteriorated further. ROBERTSON